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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Albert James Yovichin, Daniel Ray Downing

and James Alfred Benzing, II

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AMENDMENT A

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner Knable:

In response to the Office Action of March 19, 2003, please amend the subject application as follows: